

# **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION** AIRPORTS DIVISION

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TO:

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FROM:

DEP-A (BRIAN H. SEKIGUCHI)

SUBJECT:

LAND BOARD SUBMITTAL

ISSUANCE OF A REPLACEMENT LEASE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

NATIONAL OCEANIC & ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION

LIHUE AIRPORT

Attached is the subject submittal for your approval. Please have submittal placed on the next Land Board agenda.

If there are any questions, please call Ethan Tomokiyo at 838-8673.

Attachment



# STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION 869 PUNCHBOWL STREET Honolulu, Hawaii 96813-5097

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

Board of Land and Natural Resources State of Hawaii Honolulu, Hawaii

ISSUANCE OF A REPLACEMENT LEASE
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# REQUEST:

Issuance of a replacement lease to U. S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to operate, maintain and repair an Automated Surface Observation System (ASOS).

#### LEGAL REFERENCE:

Section 171-95, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as amended.

#### LESSEE:

U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Weather Service (NWS).

# LOCATION AND TAX MAP KEY:

Portion of Lihue Airport, Lihue, Island of Kauai, identified by Tax Map Key: 4<sup>th</sup> Division, 3-5-01: Portion of 8

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# AREA:

Area/Space No. 010-102, containing a land area of approximately 1,963 square feet, as shown delineated on the attached Exhibit A

# TERM OF LEASE:

Fifteen years

### LEASE COMMENCEMENT DATE:

Upon execution of the document.

# RENTAL:

None

#### ZONING:

State Land Use District:

Urban

County:

Industrial (IG-STP)

# LAND TITLE STATUS:

Section 5(a), Hawaii Admission Act
DHHL 30% entitlement lands Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No \_X\_

### **CURRENT USE STATUS:**

Airport and aeronautical uses.

# CHARACTER OF USE:

Continuing operation, maintenance, repair, replacement, and removal of Automated Surface Observing System (ASOS) equipment including, but not limited to: field sensor group(s), acquisition control unit (ACU), communications and peripheral equipment, antenna(s), and connecting cables together with electrical power for the operation of equipment owned by NWS.

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# CHAPTER 343, HRS - ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

This project will have minimal or no significant effect on the environment and is, therefore, exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment under the authority of Chapter 343, HRS, as amended and Section 11-200 HAR. The declaration of exemption is based on Exemption Class #1 on the Comprehensive Exemption List dated November 15, 2000, that states:

"Operations, repairs or maintenance of existing structures, facilities, equipment or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion or change of use beyond that previously existing."

#### **REMARKS:**

The NWS is requesting issuance of a new lease to replace an existing lease that has expired. The Department of Transportation, Airports Division (DOTA) is obligated under the Grant Assurances to provide NWS sites related to air navigation at no coast. The DOTA, in the public interest, has no objection to the NWS request for a replacement lease.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board authorize the issuance of a direct lease to the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Weather Service at Lihue Airport, subject to: (1) terms and conditions herein outlined, which are by reference incorporated herein; (2) such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Director of Transportation to best serve the interests of the State; and (3) review and approval of the Department of the Attorney General as to the lease form and content.

Respectfully submitted,

BRENNON T. MORIOKA, Ph.D., P.E.

Director of Transportation

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:

LAURA H. THIBLEN Chairperson and Member

